

31 Q: Is there any revenue that is earned from the property, if so what is the revenue?

32 A: **Yes. I derive revenue from the farming on the property.**

33 Q: What is the quality of the soil on the property?

34 A: **The soil type for the ground on which the proposed primary route is ideal soil and I**
35 **believe that the transmission lines will take farm ground out of production because of the**
36 **transmission line towers as well as the easements, which would allow ATXI to maintain and**
37 **repair the transmission lines.**

38 Q: Is the property encumbered by any existing utility easement(s)?

39 A: **No encumbrances that I know of.**

40 Q: Do you oppose the primary route proposed by ATXI?

41 A: **Yes.**

42 Q: Do you oppose the entire length of the primary route?

43 A: **Yes.**

44 Q: What is the basis of your opposition to the primary route?

45 A: **1. Soil Compaction: The transmission line towers will involve disrupting the soil. I**
46 **know that when you continually run construction equipment over farm ground,**
47 **there is a loss of yield at the location of the construction. When a person operates**
48 **heavy equipment over farm ground, it impacts the ability of plant roots to penetrate**
49 **to the soil to reach water and nutrients (e.g., fertilizer), which results in lesser or no**
50 **yield. I am of the opinion that the soil will experience a reduction in yields for up to**
51 **seven years.**

52 **2. Drainage: I have drainage tiles in the vicinity of the proposed primary route. The**
53 **construction of the lines will likely disrupt or destroy the drainage tiles.**

54 **3. Aerial Spraying: I use aerial spraying in my farming operations. The proposed**
55 **placement for the primary transmission line route will split the property in half.**
56 **Both sides of the property are used for agricultural purposes. The transmission**
57 **line will make it difficult or impossible to conduct effective aerial spray applications.**
58 **We do top air spraying which is 100 feet wide. Certain corn hybrids do need a**
59 **fungicide application done by airplane at the time of tassel, which is done every**
60 **year.**

61 **4. Field Efficiency: The possible placement of transmission line towers on the**
62 **property will have a negative impact on field efficiency.**

63 **5. Weed Control: If the towers are placed on the Property, we will have to perform**
64 **weed control on and around the towers. The presence of weeds reduces yield**
65 **because the weeds will consume water and nutrients otherwise utilized by the corn**
66 **or soybeans.**

67 **6. Land Value: The installation of the transmission line will have a permanent,**
68 **negative impact on value of the Property.**

69 **Q:** What type of soil do you have?

70 **A:** We have high quality soil. Attached as Exhibit 3 is a true and correct copy of a Soil
71 **Type Data Report from 2010.**

72 **Q:** What is the expected financial loss from the use of the property as a result of the primary
73 route?

74 **A:** I will incur a financial loss as a result of a loss of yield because of soil compaction
75 and drainage issues. I will also incur a financial loss because of the impact on tenant
76 farming leases during the time period of construction.

77 **Q:** What is the proximity of the building(s) and/or structure(s) on the property to the primary
78 route proposed by ATXI?

79 **A:** There are no buildings nearby that are impacted by the transmission route.

80 **Q:** Are you in favor of ATXI utilizing the alternate route proposed by ATXI?

81 **A:** Yes.

82 **Q:** Please identify any other party or individual who may have an interest in the property,
83 and explain the nature of such interest?

84 **A:** Mark Donnell and Nils Donnell are the Tenant Farmers of the property.

85 **Q:** If there is an individual or party who has interest in the property, does that party or
86 individual oppose the primary route proposed by ATXI?

87 **A:** Louise Brock-Jones Limited Partnership's tenants, Mark Donnell and Nils Donnell,
88 object to the proposed primary route of ATXI.

89 **Q:** Does the individual or party oppose the entire length of the primary route?

90 **A:** Yes.

91 **Q:** What is the basis for the individual's or party's opposition to the primary route?

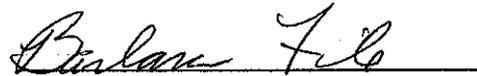
92 A: Mark Donnell and Nils Donnell object to the primary route for the reasons set forth
93 above.

94 Q: Does the individual or party oppose the entire length of the primary route?

95 A: Yes

96 Q: Does this conclude your testimony?

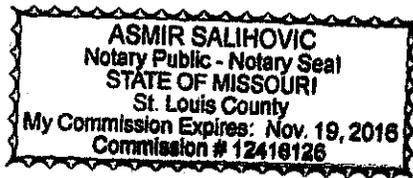
97 A: Yes.

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